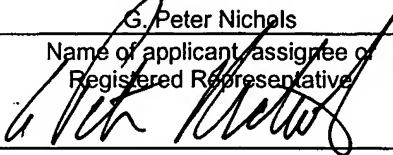




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| For TABLE SAW WITH CUTTING |) | |
| TOOL RETRACTION SYSTEM |) | |

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Mail Stop Amendment
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Dear Sir:

This responds to the Office Action dated June 7, 2006. In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants request reconsideration of the application.



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Appln. No.: 10/720,990

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TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Attached is/are:

- ☒ Response
☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
☐ Small Entity.
☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$_____ for a _____-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(____).
☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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| Total | | Minus | | | x \$25= | | | x \$50= | |
| Indep. | | Minus | | | x 100= | | | x \$200= | |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim | | | | | +\$180= | | | + \$360= | |
| | | | | | Total | \$ | | Total | \$ |

Fee payment:

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$_____ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Peter Nichols (Reg. No. 34,401)

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